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SUBJECT: JAN 20 PRAVDA ARTICLE ON BENIN COUP ATTEMPT

REF: (A) MOSCOW 942 (B) COTONOU 322

1. JAN 20 PRAVDA ACCOUNT DID NOT CONTAIN MUCH MORE THAN EMBASSY MENTIONED IN ITS PRESS SUMMARY (REF A). HERE IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF APPROPRIATE PASSAGE; BEGIN TEXT: SOME LOCAL JOURNALISTS ARE SURE THAT THE THREADS OF THE PLOT LEAD TO ONE OF THE WESTERN CAPITALS, OTHERS SUPPOSE THAT "DIFFERENCES HAVE ARISEN AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF BENIN WHICH HAVE BEEN UTILIZED BY ENEMIES OF THE REPUBLIC" (QUOTES IN ORIGINAL). AND THE REPUBLIC HAS MANY ENEMIES. THESE ARE, FIRST OF ALL, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BUREAUCRATIC COMPRADOR BOURGEOISIE, FEDUAL ELEMENTS, (AND) A PORTION OF THE COMMERCIAL BOURGEOISIE. END TEXT. ACCORDING TO PRAVDA, ARTICLE WAS COMPILED FROM REPORTS OF PRAVDA CORRESPONDENT L. KUZNETSOV, AFP AND TASS FOR JANUARY 19.

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WM COMMENT. EMBASSY NOTES THAT SOVIET MEDIA IMMEDIATELY BACKED AWAY FROM FURTHER DISCUSSION OR EVEN HINT OF DIFFERENCES WITHIN GOVERNMENT OF BENIN AND HAVE STEADFASTLY PLACED BLAME ON EXTERNAL AND VAGUE FORCES OF "IMPERIALIST REACTION," ETC.
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